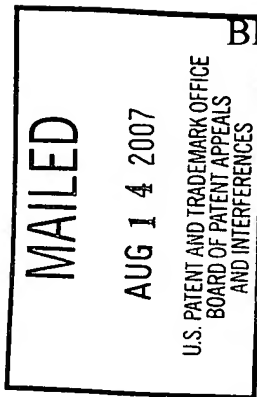


UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE



BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS
AND INTERFERENCES

Ex parte MASAHIRO KAJIWARA

Application 10/669,700
Technology Center 2600

ORDER RETURNING UNDOCKETED APPEAL TO EXAMINER

This Image File Wrapper (IFW) application was electronically received at the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences on July 31, 2007. A review has revealed that the application is not ready for docketing as an appeal. Accordingly, the application is herewith being returned to the Examiner. The matters requiring attention prior to docketing are identified below:

Appellant submitted an Amendment After-Final which was received by the Office on June 30, 2006. There is no indication on the written record that the Examiner formally considered or acknowledged this document. Clarification is required.

The Examiner's Answer, issued May 14, 2007, is missing a required section and content ((11) Related Proceedings Appendix). Before further review, the Examiner must mail a PTOL-90 that will include the heading and content Related Proceedings Appendix, paragraph 11. *See the Manual of Patent Examining Procedure (MPEP) § 1207.02(A)(11).*

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Accordingly, it is *ORDERED* that the application is returned to the Examiner:


(1) to provide written clarification as to the entry status of the Amendment After-Final received June 30, 2006;

(2) to have said written clarification made of record and a copy mailed to Appellant;

(3) to issue and mail a PTOL-90 which shall include the heading and content “(11) Related Proceedings Appendix”; and

(4) for such further action as may be appropriate.

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